Application of Eugen ALDEA et al. New U.S. National Stage Application Filed: June 21, 2006 Preliminary Amendment

## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Favorable consideration of this application, in view of the present amendment and in light of the following discussions, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-24 are currently pending in the application. Claims 1, 3, 5-7, 9, 10, 12-15, 17 and 19-24 have been amended and no claims have been added or canceled by the present amendment. The claims have been amended to place the claims in better form for U.S. practice, to remove multiple dependencies and to provide proper antecedent support.

Consequently, in view of the present amendment the application is in condition for an examination on the merits. An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVIDSON, BERQUIST, JACKSON & GOWDEY, L.L.P.

Peter W. Gowdey

Registration No. 25,872

**CUSTOMER NUMBER** 

42624

Davidson Berquist Jackson & Gowdey, LLP 4300 Wilson Boulevard, 7th Floor

Arlington, VA 22203 Ph: 703-894-6400 Fax: 703-894-6430